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- 1. The tobacco industry in Bulgaria (cultivation and processing) has had a rapid and progressive development since World War I.
- In the period prior to World War II, Bulgaria had approximately 100 factories employing a total of about 10,000 workers. The major part of the production (approximately 300,000 quintals) was exported.
- 3. According to Government statistics, the production in 1948 was 478,000 quintals.
- 4. At present, 60 percent of the tobacco crop is exported to the Soviet Union in a raw state, which has greatly influenced the furnishing of raw material to the industry.
- 5. Tobacco is grown extensively at the following localities: Aleksandrovo, Malko Borisovo, Golyamo Selo (Govedartsi), Banya, Nevrokop, Razlog, Bansko, and Mekhomiya (Razlog).
- The tobacco processing enterprises are shown on the sketch enclosed herewith as an Appendix, pages 2 and 3.

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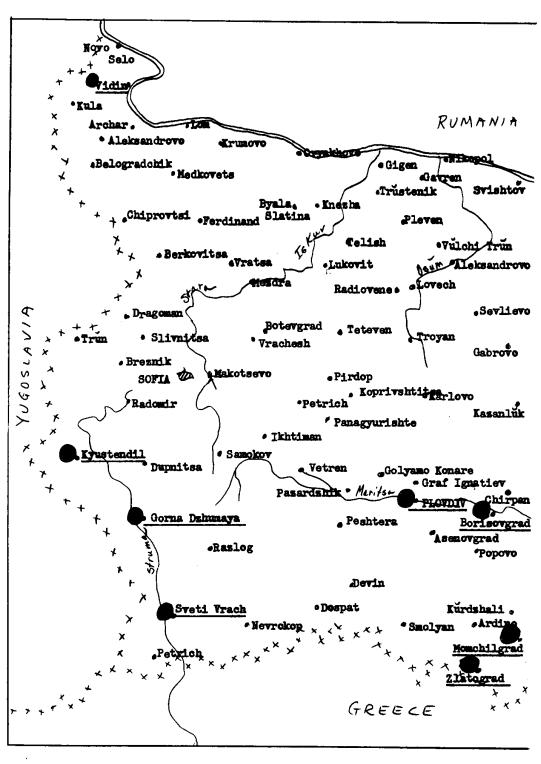
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